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INFANT LIFEJACKETS ON SMALL PASSENGER VESSELS

All small passenger vessel operators are required to have one Type I or Type V lifejacket available for every adult carried onboard the vessel. The number of child lifejackets required is represented by 10% of the number of adult lifejackets required onboard, or the actual number of children carried on the vessel, whichever is greater. A recent question posed to this office regarding suitable lifejackets for infants brought home the point that information on infant lifejackets is not readily available. The child sized Type I lifejackets required onboard vessels are suitable for children weighing between 50 and 90 pounds. There are only Type II lifejackets approved for infants weighing 18 pounds or more. Although there is not a specific requirement for the carriage of infant lifejackets, operators who routinely carry or anticipate carrying infants are encouraged to review the list of approved lifejackets below to augment their current lifejacket inventory. The most defenseless passengers onboard should have an equal level of protection during emergencies.

MANUFACTURERS	PHONE NUMBERS	MODEL NUMBERS
THE COLEMAN CO INC P O BOX 1119 LAKE CITY SC 29560	Phone: 803-394-8893 FAX: 803-394-3940	150, Infant
AMERICA'S CUP P O BOX 2009 LA PUENTE CA 91746-0009	Phone: 800-423-8566 FAX: 818-333-6904	900PE, Infant/Child Small
ERO INDUSTRIES INC 585 SLAWIN COURT MOUNT PROSPECT IL 60056-2183	Phone: 800-323-5999 FAX: 708-803-9223	351B, Infant; ICS, Infant/Child Small; KCS, Infant, Child Small; and ICS-1 Infant
KENT SPORTING GOODS 433 PARK AVE SOUTH NEW LONDON OH 44851	Phone: 800-537-2970 FAX: 419-929-1769	2PW, Infant/Child Small and 2PWV, Infant/Child Small
FULL THROTTLE FLOTATION INC. 7413 SLATER AVENUE HUNTINGTON BEACH, CA 92647	Phone: 714-848-5878	212, Infant
MUSTANG ENGINEERED TECH APPAREL 3810 JACOMBS ROAD RICHMOND BC V6V 1Y6CANADA	Phone: 604-270-8631 FAX: 604-273-6466	MV-3150, Infant
OMEGA MARINE PRODUCTS 1638 PARKER AVE FT LEE NJ 07024	Phone: 201-944-4471 FAX: 201-944-3193	MW-10, Infant
SONIFORM INC. 1908 FRIENDSHIP DRIVE EL CAJON, CA 92020	Phone: 619-562-3681	PW-3001, Infant

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